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SUBJECT: POLL OF REFERENDUM ISSUES

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1. FINAL SEGMENT OF POLL (REFTELS) REVEALS LITTLE SENSE OF
COMMUNITY WITH FRANCE AMONG QUEBECOIS.

2. TABLE FOLLOWS.

THE QUESTION WAS: "FOR SOME TIME THERE HAS BEEN A DISCUSSION ABOUT
RELATIONS BETWEEN QUEBEC AND FRANCE. WITH THIS IN MIND, WOULD YOU
AGREE OR DISAGREE WITH THE FOLLOWING STATEMENTS?"

UNION PARTI
TOTAL LIB. NAT. QUE. CRED. REF DK
FRANCE WOULD BE OF
GREAT ASSISTANCE TO
AN INDEPENDENT QUEBEC
AGREE 29 0/0 14 17 47 23 23 26
DISAGREE 57 0/0 76 68 41 62 64 53
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DK 14 0/0 10 15 12 15 14 21

UNION PARTI
TOTAL LIB. NAT. QUE. CRED. REF DK
I DO NOT
PERSONALLY
FEEL STRONG

TIES WITH
FRANCE.

AGREE	64	0/0	77	72	54	54	64	62
DISAGREE	30	0/0	21	26	40	39	32	25
DK	6	0/0	2	2	6	8	5	13

THE FUTURE OF
QUEBEC LIES IN
A FRENCH-
SPEAKING WORLD.

AGREE	50	0/0	34	43	68	58	39	47
DISAGREE	43	0/0	61	53	27	39	50	43
DK	6	0/0	5	4	6	4	11	11

FRANCE'S ONLY
INTEREST IN
QUEBEC IS ITS
NATURAL
RESOURCES.

AGREE	55	0/0	65	63	44	50	68	55
DISAGREE	27	0/0	20	19	42	39	16	13
DK	18	0/0	16	17	14	12	16	32

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FRENCH PEOPLE
LOOK DOWN ON
FRENCH-
CANADIANS.

AGREE	45	0/0	50	56	35	39	61	48
DISAGREE	35	0/0	28	27	48	39	27	24
DK	21	0/0	23	17	17	23	11	29

UNION PARTI
TOTAL LIB. NAT. QUE. CRED. REF DK
A CLOSE
ASSOCIATION
WITH FRANCE
WILL HELP
QUEBEC
PRESERVE THE
FRENCH LANGUAGE
IN CANADA.

AGREE	50	0/0	34	34	65	65	36	56
DISAGREE	41	0/0	56	53	29	31	50	32

DK 9 0/0 10 8 6 4 14 13

THE PEOPLE OF
FRANCE FEEL
CLOSE TIES
WITH FRENCH-
CANADIANS.

AGREE 33 0/0 20 29 45 42 25 35
DISAGREE 49 0/0 64 60 39 39 59 40
DK 17 0/0 16 11 16 19 16 25

3.ACCOMPANYING TEXT GIVES FURTHER BREAKDOWN OF FINAL QUESTION
IN TERMS OF FRANCOPHONE RESPONSES: 37 PERCENT AGREE, 46 PERCENT
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DISAGREE, 17 PERCENT DK, WHICH NOT SIGNIFICANTLY MORE FAVORABLE
THAN "MIXED POPULATION VIEW.

4. MORE STARTLING ARE SHOWINGS THAT ONLY 50 PERCENT SEE FUTURE OF
QUEBEC IN FRENCH-SPEAKING WORLD AND THAT FRANCE WILL HELP PRESERVE
LANGUAGE HERE.

5. COMMENT: FINDINGS SUGGEST STRONGLY THAT ALTHOUGH LEVESQUE
TRIP DOMINATED HEADLINES FOR AWHILE, IT HAD RELATIVELY
LITTLE REAL POLITICAL IMPACT.

6. FOR PARIS: "REFUSED" AND "DON'T KNOW" COLUMNS REFTE TO
POLITICAL AFFILIATION, NOT, REPEAT NOT, TO THE QUESTION
POSITED.
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